## Cedar Park Community Sculpture Garden



## Call for Entries

Cedar Park, Texas is one of the fastest-growing suburbs in America according to Forbes Magazine, and it's easy to see why. Located just 17 minutes from downtown Austin, Texas, this city has grown by more than 400% in the last decade. Today Cedar Park is the third largest city in the Austin area with a population exceeding 54,000 within its city limits. The City of Cedar Park attracts residents and visitors from all over the globe because of its unique charm, close proximity to Austin and the Texas Hill Country, and the beauty surrounding the Lower Colorado River Lake System.

The City of Cedar Park Arts Advisory Board would like to invite you to submit your work for a year-long period of display in the newly created Cedar Park Community Sculpture Garden. This new sculpture garden is situated on land directly adjacent to the very popular Cedar Park Recreation Center. Each year, thousands of visitors frequent the Cedar Park Rec Center making this location a highly visible one within the Cedar Park community. The land selected for the sculpture garden features a scenic pond surrounded by a crushed granite walking trail. Sculptures that are selected for display will be placed on cement pads situated along the walking trail. The selected sculptures will be on loan and available for public purchase for a period of one year.



**Cedar Park Rec Center** 

As this is the inaugural year of the Cedar Park Community Sculpture Garden, the Cedar Park Arts Advisory Board is excited to launch this new project and publicize this exciting new community art program. The City plans to unveil the new garden and its loaned art pieces at a public kick-off party in mid-October. The kick-off party will feature live music, refreshments and guided walking tours in which members of the public will learn about each loaned art piece and its creator. In addition to the kick-off party to celebrate the launch of the sculpture garden, the city will host a variety of other events in the garden throughout the year including a Christmas event in coordination with the City's annual Santa's Workshop and a spring event.

The sculpture garden is a great opportunity for artists to help beautify the community while simultaneously promoting their work. The garden will feature plaques placed next to each selected piece providing information about the piece and its creator. Advertisements will be placed in local papers, and on the City's TV channel promoting the kick- off event and brochures with pictures and information about the selected pieces will be produced and distributed throughout the area. The garden will also be promoted on the City's website and social media pages.

## Criteria for Exhibit

The Cedar Park Arts Advisory Board will accept entries of large scale, free standing and interactive sculptures and welcomes all artists- professional, amateur and student. Each artist may submit up to 3 pieces for consideration. All works must be of original design and execution and must be available for installation during the designated installation period (Oct. 7-13, 2013). At the end of the loaned period, the city plans to seek public input regarding selection of a piece to purchase for inclusion as part of the City's permanent collection. The pieces selected for display will be chosen by the Arts Advisory Board based on the originality of the piece, its aesthetic properties, its suitability for an outdoor public exhibit, and since the City plans to purchase a sculpture, the sales price of each piece will also be considered during the selection process. If the item is listed as being for sale, the artist must agree to sell it to the City for the sales price they have indicated on the entry form.

Should the artist wish to sell their piece, artist contact information will be provided to interested parties, however all transactions must be handled by the artist themselves. In the event that the art piece is purchased during the 1 year loan period, the piece must remain on display until the end of the loan period.

Upon the completed installation of the sculpture, a \$300 stipend will be paid for each selected piece to defer the delivery, set up, and removal costs. Installation and removal of the piece is the artist's responsibility, however the City will provide assistance and some equipment for heavy work in the garden. Each piece must have steel tabs or plates attached to the bottom of the sculpture so that it can be securely bolted to the concrete platform. Insurance will be provided for the selected pieces during the loan period. Each piece will be insured at the value listed on the entry form. In the unlikely event that any damage occurs to the piece during installation, removal, or at any point during the loaned period, the artist is required to repair or remove the piece within 15 days.

In order to be considered, please submit the attached entry form and digital photos of each piece (or digital photos of a scale model), by no later than May 31, 2013.



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## Cedar Park Community Sculpture Garden Entry Form

Print completed entry form and mail to: City of Cedar Park, c/o Kimberly Painter, 450 Cypress Creek Rd. Bldg 1 Cedar Park, TX 78613 or email all materials to <a href="mailto:Kimberly.Painter@cedarparktexas.gov">Kimberly.Painter@cedarparktexas.gov</a>

Artist's Name	E-mail					
Address						
Home Phone		Cell Phone		Website		
Sculpture Entri	ies:					
OF SCULPTURE	MATERIALS	HEIGHT	WIDTH	DEPTH	WEIGHT	ARTIST'S AGREED SALES PRICE (IF APPLICABLE)

Please be sure to include the following along with this entry form:

 At least 2 high quality photos of each piece or 2 high quality photos of a scale model of the piece. The photos may be placed on a CD and mailed or emailed as an attachment.
 If you send your pictures on a CD and wish to have it returned, please include a selfaddressed stamped mailing box.

To be considered, all information must be received by May 31<sup>st</sup>

Artists will be notified of selection by July 15<sup>th</sup>

Installation of selected pieces Oct 7-13<sup>th</sup>

Kick-off event Mid-October

If selected, Artist will be required to sign a standard Artwork Display Agreement.